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Baby Giraffe Name Chosen by Popular Vote



Using the combination of a Facebook poll and email submissions, Dickerson Park Zoo's staff tallied votes from the public to select the name for the newest giraffe calf born last weekend. The public selected "Caley," (kā' lē) a Gaelic name meaning slender, with 591 votes.

The other two names, Twiggy and Rue, received 503 and 406 votes respectively.

Caley can be viewed at the giraffe yard with her eight-week-old half-sister Pammy J, their mothers Gidget and Cheka, Emma, Kamili and Peperuka.

Dickerson Park Zoo is open daily 10 a.m.-4 p.m., weather permitting. The zoo will be closed on Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and New Year's Day. For more information, visit the zoo online at www.dickersonparkzoo.org, or call the zoo's information hotline, 417-864-1800.

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